# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# ATOMIC ENERGY
# LOK SABHA

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Jaitapur Nuclear Power Plant
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**Will the Minister of ATOMIC ENERGY be pleased to state:**

(a)the present status of the implementation of the terms of Agreement for setting up of Jaitapur Nuclear Power plant and the total amount fund spent so far;

(b)whether any study has been conducted to assess the effect of these plants on the environment;

(c)if so, the details thereof and the remedial measures taken by the Government in this regard; and

(d)the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to ensure safety of such nuclear plants in view of the hue and cry made in this regard?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES & PENSIONS AND PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (Dr. JITENDRA SINGH):

(a)The commercial contract for implementation of Jaitapur project has not been concluded yet. A cumulative expenditure of Rs.390.72 crore has been incurred as of January 2016 on the project, mainly on account of land acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement and pre-project activities.

(b)&(c) A detailed Environmental Impact Assessment Study was carried out as a part of the environmental clearance process. Based on the studies, environmental clearance for the project was accorded by Ministry of Environment & Forests and Climate Change (MoEF&CC) in 2010 and the same was extended in 2015. These studies have found that the project will not adversely affect the environment. The conditions laid down in the environmental clearance are being implemented.

(d)The reactors planned to be set up at Jaitapur are state of the art in technology and have advanced safety features. The reactors will be set up only after review of the safety by both the regulatory authorities in France and by Atomic Energy Regulatory Board (AERB) in India, and in line with stage-wise clearances of AERB. The apprehensions of people regarding safety of the plant are being addressed through a public outreach programme adopting a multipronged approach, in a credible manner.

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